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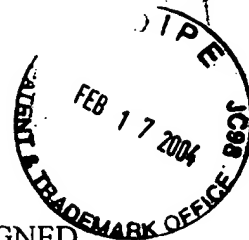
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In Re Application of: James P. Elia )  
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 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS )  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
 Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the cited publication entitled "VEGF Gene Therapy Wakes Up Dormant Heart Tissue" (Reference AC). The publication is dated August 31, 2000 and thus is not a competent reference against the claims of the instant application. Such publication, however, is cited for the purpose of providing evidence to the Examiner in connection with any issues regarding the operability claims 29-35 of the application.

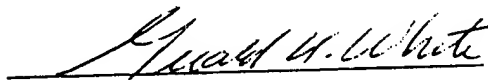
Also cited is U.S. Patent No. 5,652,225 (Reference AA) issued to Jeffrey M. Isner, a person associated with the above-referenced publication, and Applicant's PCT patent application Publication No. WO 95/01760 (Reference AB). It is submitted that the claimed invention is novel and unobvious in view of the patent and the publication, alone or in proper combination thereof.

It is also noted that claims 6-17 are believed to be entitled to at least the July 2, 1993 filing date of parent application Serial No. 08/087,185 and thus none of the patents and

publications cited in the instant Information Disclosure Statement have a date that is effective against Claims 6-17.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 15, 2001

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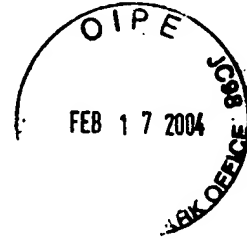
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## Reference Designation U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## Other Art (including author, title, date, pertinent pages, etc.)

AC	News & Analysis @bioresearch online, Aug. 2000.

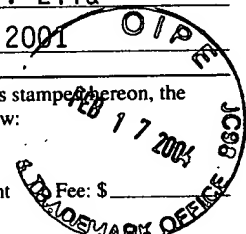
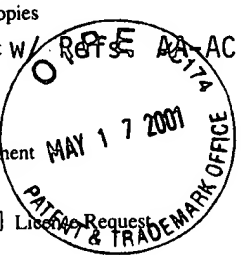
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